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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

**TYPE OF DECLARATION**

This declaration is for a national stage of PCT application.

**INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION**

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (*if only one name is listed below*) or an original, first and joint inventor (*if plural names are listed below*) of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**TITLE OF INVENTION**

SENSOR PROTECTION CIRCUIT

**SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION**

Application No. PCT/DE2003/002189, filed July 1, 2003

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR**

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

**PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d))**

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

Such applications have been filed as follows.

**PRIOR PCT APPLICATION(S) FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS  
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AND ANY PRIORITY CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d)**

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A separate ☐ "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) ACCOMPANYING  
NEW PATENT APPLICATION" or ☐ FORM PTO  
1595 is also attached.

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14. ☒ Additional documents:
- a. ☐ Copy of request (PCT/RO/101)
  - b. ☒ International Publication No. WO 2004/017481 A1
    - i. ☒ Specification, claims and drawing
    - ii. ☐ Front page only
  - c. ☒ Preliminary amendment (37 C.F.R. § 1.121)
  - d. ☐ Other

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